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67067-002**REMARKS**

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the detailed remarks. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations recited in claim 2. Claim 2 has been cancelled. New claims 35-39 are presented. Claims 1-5, 8, 9, 19-26, and 35-39 are pending, and claims 27-34 were previously withdrawn.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 8, 9, 19-22, 25, and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Jones*. Claims 1, 8, 9, 19, 20, 25, and 26 were rejected §102(b) as being anticipated by *Billmeyer*. Claims 1, 8, 9, 19, 20, 22, 25, and 26 were rejected under §102(b) as being anticipated by *Lamoureux, et al.* Claims 1, 8, 19, 20, and 26 were rejected under 102(b) as being anticipated by *Allen*. Amended claim 1 recites a controller that selectively actuates the door in response to an employee identification. Thus, amended claim 1 recites the limitations of claim 2, which the Examiner admits are not anticipated by *Jones*, *Billmeyer*, *Lamoureux, et al.* or *Allen*.

The Examiner rejected claims 2-5 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Allen* in view of *Boyer, et al.* The Examiner contends that *Allen* discloses all of the elements of Applicant's invention except a secured computerized network for establishing a predetermined number of dispensed articles and remotely monitoring the dispensing procedures from another location. The Examiner further contends that *Boyer* discloses the missing elements. Applicant respectfully disagrees. *Allen* does not even disclose that the storage box (28) is lockable. Therefore, there is no motivation to use a secured computerized network to control the dispensing because the storage box (28) is readily accessible without security clearance. Applicant's claims recite a lockable storage chest. *Allen* does not disclose this feature. Therefore, the proposed combination fails to disclose all of the limitations of the claims. Accordingly, claims 2-5 are properly allowable.

The Examiner rejected claims 2-5 under §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Lamoureux, et al.* in view of *Scott*. The Examiner contends that *Lamoureux, et al.* discloses all of the limitations of the invention except the specifics of providing users identification to

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access the system and providing a communication system that links the controller to a remote location. The Examiner further contends that *Scott* discloses the missing limitations. Applicant respectfully disagrees. In the combination of *Lamoureux, et al.* and *Scott*, users/customers must input money into the dispenser to get money out in the form of rolled coins. If the coin dispensers dispensed rolled coins in response to an employee identification, as recited in Applicant's claims, users/customers could get rolled coins out for free. Thus, the proposed combination is quite different from Applicant's invention with regard to what must be entered to obtain the stored materials and fails to disclose a controller that selectively actuates the door in response to an employee identification. Accordingly, claims 2-5 are properly allowable.

The Examiner rejected claims 23 and 24 under 35 §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Jones*. Claim 23 was rejected under 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Billmeyer*. Claims 23 and 24 were rejected under 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Lamoureux, et al.* Claims 23 and 24 were rejected under 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Allen*. In each of these rejections, the Examiner contends that it would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art to have duplicated the dispenser because it provides additional dispensers for the system. Furthermore, the Examiner contends that providing duplicate parts for a multiple effect is commonly well known.


If the Examiner is attempting to take official notice of what is commonly well known, the Applicant challenges this contention. Applicant's claim 23 recites a second lockable storage chest for storing a plurality of second construction articles that are different from said plurality of construction articles. The Examiner's contention of what is commonly well known neglects the limitation that the second lockable storage chest stores different articles than the first lockable storage chest. Thus, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner provide an evidentiary basis for the contentions under MPEP §2144.03 or withdraw the rejection.

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Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully Submitted,

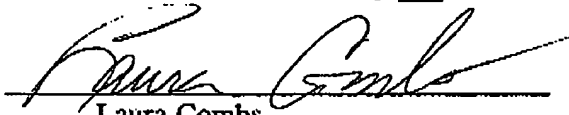
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